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Security Matter

Meeting on Project 110-51, 1400, 29 Jan 1952

1. The EIC Working Committee on subject project, meeting on 29 January, agreed on the following tentative production schedule:

a. Deadline for ORR division contributions was not discussed, but apparently will not be formally changed from 3 March (which date, I am told, was adopted by The Committee on 12 December 1951).

b. Deadline for submission of G-2 contribution will be moved back to 10-15 March, and another week thereafter will be allowed G-2 to put together the Defense contributions, which will now be tentatively due in EIC on or about 22 March, on standard forms which CIA will furnish, in two copies, one for CIA working use and one ready for reproduction without further editing.

c. The text of the paper (Parts I, II, and III) will be drafted in ORR between 22 March and 12 April (A/EC in charge), with responsible members present from all producing offices (Defense and State as well as ORR).

d. Three weeks are allowed to process and reproduce the text (Parts I, II, and III, and tables included therein) and (apparently by allowing some overlap with step c above) a target date of 30 April is tentatively set for publication. Some slippage is tacitly expected.

2. Two main points should be noted about the above phasing:

a. The decision to publish parts I, II, and III of the text at the same time was taken as a result of the intervention of the AD. The AD, who was present for part of the meeting, announced that he had reconsidered his approval of the proposal (which the Chairman, from A/EC) already put before the meeting to publish Part I (the summary and conclusions) as quickly as possible, in advance of Parts II and III, which constitute the main body of the text. The AD explained that the paper would appear as a finished EIC paper for the JIC, not as a contribution to an NIE, and he therefore felt that the important thing was to give it to consumers as a single, final, finished product.

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b. It was left unclear when the main appendixes would be published. The Chairman appeared to assume that the reproduction of the tables received from Defense would begin as soon as they were received, which would mean that they would certainly be ready for publication with the text. On the other hand, the AD evidently assumed that the appendixes would come out later. He remarked that since the paper was a formal FIC paper and the text was the thing, it was less important that it be accompanied by supporting material. He did appear to feel that the appendixes, like the text, should be in first-class shape when they came out.

3. The practical problems of interest to D/R in connection with this project are two: text and appendixes.

a. Text: The schedule given above (under part 1) would seem to allow time enough for D/R to do its part, though it would still be good for us to have a crack at sections of the draft text as fast as they are firmed up and before final coordination.

b. Appendixes: The appendixes could still be a headache if a clear understanding is not reached who is to do what, and when. Responsibility has not been fixed for assuring the mechanical consistency and accuracy of the Defense tables as submitted for publication (though it appears that G-2 will have some coordinating functions in connection with the Defense contribution). Nor has any provision been made for correcting such errors as may be caught after the tables have been submitted to FIC (though it appears logical that responsibility for this would fall on A/EC). These matters should be settled at once, together with a figure for the number of all forms to be reproduced, and EC should be pressed to draw up the Defense tables (we have ^{the} ~~xxx~~ form for the CIA table), so that the forms can be coordinated and reproduced as soon as possible.

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The whole problem of 110-51 was discussed by D/R and A/EC on 1 February, and agreement reached with reference to the problems in paragraph 3, part 6, above, as follows:

- a. A/EC will draw up forms as soon as possible for coordination within CIA and with Defense.
- b. Attempt will be made to have G-2 assume responsibility for coordinating, editing, copying, and proofing all Defense tables.
- c. Appendixes will not be sent in for reproduction when received, but held in A/EC, which will assume responsibility, and obtain Defense concurrence, for corrections to be made. Presumably the appendixes will be reproduced and distributed as soon as possible after the text.

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